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VIA E-MAIL

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Re: Garden Grove Police Department – Public Records Act Request
Received January 2, 2019 – Notice of Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Sinyangwe:

This office provides legal services to the Garden Grove Police Department (the “Department”). I have been asked to respond to your recent records request on behalf of the Department. This letter shall serve as notification of the Department’s intent to comply with your request for public records pursuant to the California Public Records Act (“PRA” or the “Act”) (Government Code § 6250 *et seq.*).

Your request is dated December 29, 2018. However, due to the New Year holiday, your request was not received by the individual responsible for reviewing the request until January 2, 2019. The request seeks various records related to instances in which force was used by officers employed by the Department. Specifically, the request seeks records related to:

- The total number of police use of force incidents, by type of force used, between 2013-2017 (separated by year);
- The total number of people that police used force against, between 2013-2017 (separated by year);
- The total number of police use of force complaints reported between 2013-2017 (separated by year); and
- The total number of police use of force complaints sustained between 2013-2017 (separated by year).

The Department is currently in the process of evaluating your request and is reviewing and compiling records in an effort to make a determination as to whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of non-exempt, non-privileged, disclosable public records in the possession of the Department. However, notice is hereby given that the time limit to make this determination

under the Act is extended by fourteen (14) days to **January 28, 2019**, pursuant to Government Code section 6253, for the following reasons:

(a) The need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records that are demanded in a single request; and

(b) The need for consultation with another agency having substantial interest in the determination of the request or among two or more components of the Department which have a substantial interest in the subject matter of the records sought.

The Department has already commenced its initial review of the request in an effort to make the requisite determination under the Act; however, more time is needed to complete such a comprehensive records review. As noted above, the Department's written determination as to whether the request seeks copies of non-exempt, non-privileged disclosable public records in the possession of the Department will be sent to you on or before **January 28, 2019**.

Thereafter, any and all non-exempt, non-privileged disclosable public records that are deemed responsive, or potentially responsive, to the request will be made promptly available to you for inspection so that you may ensure their responsiveness. Copies of responsive records will be made available to you after your inspection upon payment of fees, in advance, covering the Department's direct costs of duplication.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Cordially,

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